

**OLD METAIRIE COMMISSION (OMC) MINUTES  
PUBLIC HEARING  
June 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 9:00 a.m.**

**In Attendance**

<b><u>Old Metairie Commission Members</u></b>	<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Absent</u></b>
Thomas McAlister, Chair	√	
David Webber, Vice-Chair		√
Dr. Monica Monica	√	
Peter Waring	√	
Adele Lafaye		√

**Planning Department**

Bess Martin, Director  
Carrie MacKay, East Bank Supervisor  
Cinthya Chacon, Typist Clerk III  
Shakeeb Shariff, Planner II

**Others**

Hanlon deVerges, Sr. Asst. Parish Attorney  
Rick Hollier, Dept. of Building Permits

Mr. McAlister, Chairman, introduced himself, other members of the Commission, and the Parish staff.

The Old Metairie Commission (OMC) conducted the June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 Public Hearing at the Joseph S. Yenni Building in the Council Chambers, located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 1221 Elmwood Park Blvd., Jefferson, LA 70123. Mr. McAlister proceeded to the agenda and opened the meeting at 9:02 a.m.

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**OM-3-23 215 Avenue E**, A request to amend OM-13-21 to install a fence in the required front yard on Lot S, Square 12-B, Friedrichsrue Subdivision, Jefferson Parish, LA, bounded by Stella St., Geranium St., and Friedrichs Ave., zoned R-1B Suburban Residential District/OMNCD Old Metairie Neighborhood Conservation District. (Council District 5)

Mr. Shariff reported the updated findings of the case. The Planning Department recommends the following:

**Denial** for the following reasons:

- No conditions exist that warrant the requested variance, as the proposal is an expansion of a non-conforming fence which negatively impacts the open character of the streetscape.

- The request does not meet the requirements of Sec. 33-3.65.7.6 OMNCD Exceptions and Variances.

Ms. MacKay stated the Planning Department received three emails in support of the petition.

The Public Hearing was opened. One person spoke in favor; no one spoke in opposition.

Mr. Waring recused himself from the case. No motion was able to be made without quorum. The matter will have to be heard at the next available meeting.

A special Old Metairie Public Hearing was scheduled on Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to hear this matter.

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### **Minutes**

Mr. Waring made a motion to adopt/approve May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 minutes. Seconded by Dr. Monica.

Ms. Chacon called the roll on the motion:

<b>OMC Member</b>	<b><u>Aye</u></b>	<b><u>Nay</u></b>	<b><u>Absent</u></b>	<b><u>Abstain</u></b>
Thomas McAlister, Chair	√			
David Webber, Vice-Chair			√	
Dr. Monica Monica	√			
Peter Waring	√			
Adele Lafaye			√	

The ayes have it by a vote of 3 to 0 With 2 absent. Motion of adoption approved.

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### **Administrative Approvals & Follow-up of previous cases.**

Administrative approvals:

- **OM-5-23        450 Woodvine Ave.,** An amendment to previously approved OM-32-21 for minor façade changes and changes to the previously approved accessory outdoor pavilion.
- **OM-6-23        210 Hector Ave.,** An amendment to previously approved OM-22-22 to move the accessory outdoor kitchen.

No Follow-up on previous cases.

Mr. McAlister asked if there were any additional business to come before the commission. There were none.

Dr. Monica made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Waring. Meeting adjourned at 9:28 am.